

BCI Applications

- Device control
- User state monitoring
- Training & Education
- Games & Entertainment
- Cognitive Improvement
- Safety & Security

Brain Activity → (EEG, FNIRS, MEG)

Challenges

- Usability
- Hardware
- Signal processing
- System Integration
- Cost

Central nervous system (CNS)
Peripheral nervous system (PNS) → Somatic NS
Autonomic NS
Sensory neurons → Interneurons → Motor neurons

$[Na^+]$, $[Cl^-]$, $[Ca^{+2}]$ → higher outside
 $[K^+]$, $[A^-]$ Anions → higher inside

Axons contains myelin

Synapses (chemically gated)

Excitatory synapses

- Increase

- Depolar

Inhibitory synapses

- Decrease

- Hyper pol

IONIC CHANNELS

- voltage gated
- chemically gated
- Mechanically gated

LTP (Long Term Potentiation)*

→ Increase in the synaptic strength of a synaptic connection between two neurons. caused by correlated firing of 2 neurons

→ Measured as increase in EPSP.

LTD (Long Term Depression) → reverse

STDP (Spike Timing Dependent plasticity)

→ Timing between presynaptic & postsynaptic spikes.

PNS

→ Somatic / Skeletal nervous system
→ Nerves that are connected to skeletal muscles & sensory receptors.

→ Autonomic NS
→ Connected to heart, blood vessels, smooth vessels, glands.

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→ Invasive approaches

Techniques that involve recording of signal ~~in~~ individual neurons.

1) Microelectrodes - Simply thin wire.

2) Intracellular Recording - Measures voltage across membrane of brain tissue.

3) Extracellular Recording.

- Recording of a single neuron at brain target area.

4) Tetrodes (4 Multi-unit Recordings)
Four wires, multiple neurons.

5) Multi-electrode arrays
Larger number of neurons

Synaptic plasticity

→ short term facilitation

effect of successive spike is greater than predecessor

→ short term Depression

Hebbian STDP

Presynaptic spike occurs before postsynaptic spike → Synapse strength ↑

Presynaptic spike occurs after postsynaptic spike → synapse strength ↓

Partially Invasive Approaches

1) Electrocorticography (ECoG)

→ placing electrodes on surface of the brain

2) Micro ECoG

micro electrodes [fraction of mm in diameter]

placed 2-3 mm apart in a grid

3) Optical Recording + [Voltage sensitive dyes]

Two photon calcium imaging

→ neurons are stained with voltage dyes

→ change in membrane potential is responded by fluorescence

Non-invasive approaches

1) Electroencephalography (EEG)

Summation of post synaptic potentials of thousands of neurons
→ Measured at cerebral cortex.

→ 10-20 system specify standardized electrode locations on scalp.

→ EEG Electrode one input → differential amplifier
Other input - reference electrode

Amplified → Filter → A/D → Bandpass filter
[1-50 Hz]
← Am decreases
Gain → freq dec
EE measures
→ Brain waves (B.A.T.D.)

2) Magnetoencephalography (MEG)

Measures the magnetic activity of thousands of cortical neurons

3) fMRI (functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging)

4) fNIR

→ Neurotransmitters to ligand-gated ion channels

EEG measures

— volume conduction

— neural activity

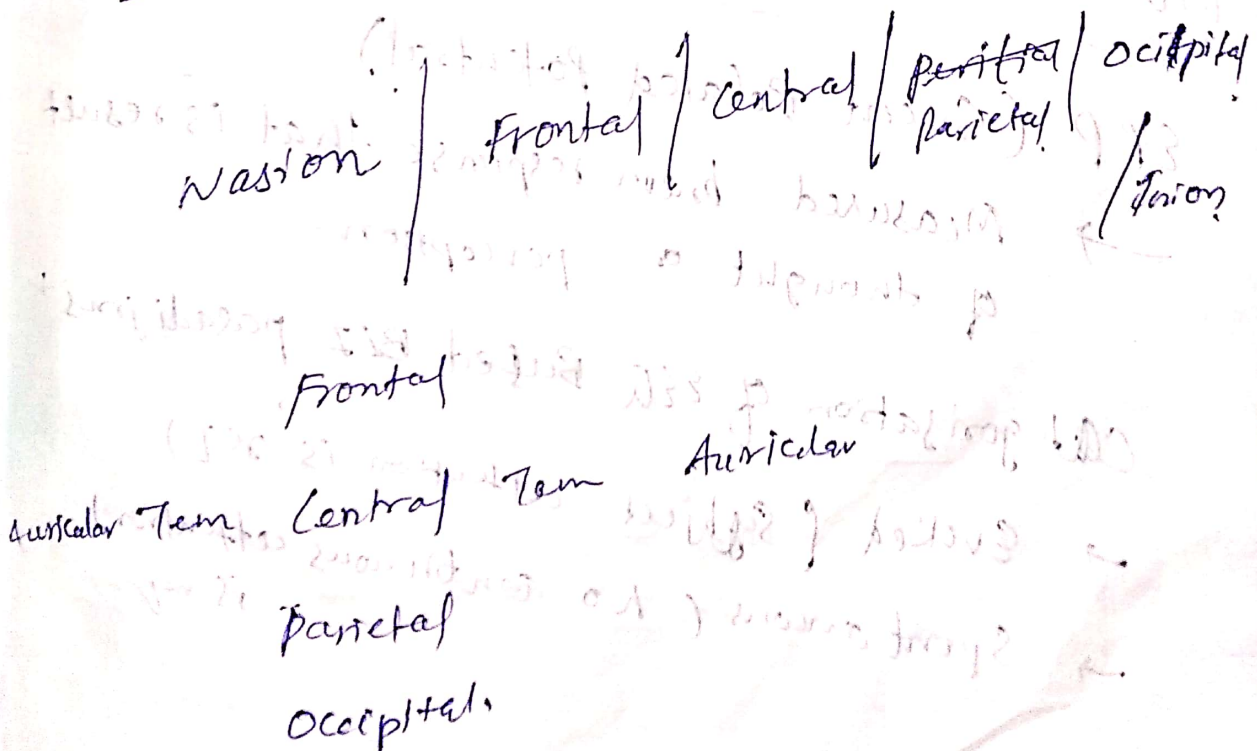
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[Action potentials, Postsynaptic pot.]

— Differences in electric potential at scalp.

EEG is non-invasive, covers whole head, very high temporal resolution

→ Neurons must give rise to a net dipole ^{more} current

Hans Berger (1929) - EEG



A - G₁ L - G₂

Ground → voltages are measured
↓
Diff. between participant & amplifier.

Active

Ground

Reference

→ Measuring EEG

EEG records potential diff at scalp by
using a set of electrodes.

Bipolar [Between adjacent electrodes]

Unipolar [Between electrode & designated
reference]

(10-20)

EEG paradigms

ERP (Event Related Potential)

→ Measured brain response that is result
of thought or perception.

Categorization of EEG Based BIZ paradigms

→ Evoked (Subject attention is req)

→ Spontaneous (No continuous attention)
is req.

ERD/ERS

Spont

P300

Evoked

SSERP/ACP/VEP

Evoked

SCP

Spont

Averaging of trials following a stimulus

VEP (Visual Evoked potential)

SSVEP (Steady-state)

Accuracy at 1 char per 16 sec

ERS/ERD

Time taken to train

EEG waveform representation (montage)

→ Sequential montage

→ Referential montage

EEG variables

Frequency — Rhythmic repetitive activity

Voltage — Avg voltage or peak

Morphology — Shape of waveform

Rhythm
Arrhythm
Psy rhythm

EEG Rhythms

Exam BAT

730 16-30 8-15 4-2 & 6

Fourier introduced the concept that one
cy cosine fns forms the basis of orthogonal
basis of soln fns.

Arbitrary fns $f(x) = \frac{A_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [A_k \cos(kx) + B_k \sin(kx)]$

PFT? FFT?

Wavelet

$$A_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(kx) dx$$

$$B_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(kx) dx$$

Fourier series for complex fns

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} C_k e^{ikx}$$

Spatial Filtering

Laplacian

Filtering

→ Spatial Filtering.

→ Bipolar.

→ Laplacian

→ Common average reference

PCA ^{Discover} Underlying statistical variability in data.

→ Reduce the data dimensionality. [max variance]

PCA Steps

- 1) Compute sample mean [Center data at 0]
- 2) Subtract sample mean
- 3) Compute sample covariance matrix
- 4) Compute eigenvalues (eigenvectors)
- 5) Dimensionality Reduction step [approximate using first K eigenvectors]

[Finding directions of max variance in D -dim data]

Normalization

Zero mean

Unit standard deviation.

Decorrelation

Correlated multivariate distribution

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Orthogonal linear combinations of original variables

PCA Reconstruction

$$\text{PCA Re} = \text{PC Scores} \cdot \text{Eigenvectors}^T + \text{mean}$$